

## WARRING NATIONS ANXIOUSLY AWAIT RESULT FIERCE FIGHT IN BELGIUM

GERMAN GAIN  
IN FLANDERS  
IS ADMITTED

London Speculates as to the  
Purpose of New Coast  
Drive.

## MAY BE ONLY A FEINT

Likely Preparatory to Strik-  
ing Blow at Another  
Vital Point.

London, April 27.—The German  
rush in Flanders has been halted,  
official communications from Ger-  
man, French, British and Belgian  
war departments bring out this  
point, although it is not clear  
whether the allies have accom-  
plished anything of importance  
further than to check the ad-  
vance. An official communication  
from Berlin shows the Germans  
are on the defensive on their new  
line north of Ypres. French and  
British claim part of the lost ter-  
ritory retaken. The French claim  
to have recaptured Hartmann  
Wellerkopf, in the mountains at  
the eastern end of the line.

London, April 27.—The little Bel-  
gian army, once more in the midst  
of a furious struggle, is reported to  
have repulsed three successive attacks  
of German south of Dixmude in the  
great battle under way in Flanders.  
Belgian military authorities say there  
was activity yesterday along the  
whole section of the front held by Bel-  
gians. It is announced the town of  
Lisieux, the storm center of battle,  
again was taken from the Germans,  
making the fourth time it has changed  
hands. Much importance is attached  
to the capture.

London is speculating whether the  
force German attack marks an at-  
tempt to force a way to the English  
channel, or is a feint preparatory  
to striking a blow at some other point  
on the front. It is admitted,  
however, the Germans already have  
gained substantial success in this battle,  
the outcome of which is awaited  
with anxiety by the belligerent na-  
tions.

All German attacks in northeast  
Ypres were repulsed yesterday and  
severe casualties inflicted on the  
enemy, says a report of Commander  
French of the British army.

The Austrian war office continues to  
announce victories of local importance  
in the Carpathians. Official reports  
from Petrograd give little idea of  
what is happening.

The British press this morning is  
demanding that the government ex-  
pedite the sending of the new army  
to France.

It is assumed that land fighting is  
in progress in connection with the  
new attempt of the allies to gain the  
Dardanelles and Constantinople.

Germans Claim Success in West.

Berlin, April 27.—Official: "Strong  
British attacks in Flanders on our  
new line north and northeast of Ypres  
have been completely broken down under  
our fire, with extraordinarily heavy  
losses. The enemy's fire completely  
dismantled a house in Lisieux which  
was used by us during the night.  
British, on the left bank of the  
canal, east of Lisieux, is still held by  
us. In engagements hitherto fought  
at Ypres we took 20 machine guns.  
We have commenced to bomb impor-  
tant railway junctions and military  
headquarters at Poperinghe, 12 kilo-  
meters west of Ypres, with appre-  
ciable success. In Argonne a French  
night attack was repulsed. In Meuse  
hills we have secured further advan-  
ces. Fierce attack in the forest of  
Ailly was repulsed with heavy losses  
to the enemy. In nocturnal hand-to-  
hand fighting we worked our way to  
Leffreux wood. In the eastern theatre  
the situation is unchanged."

Russ in New Offensive.

Genoa, April 27.—Russians have  
begun another strong offensive around  
the heights of Usak pass, in the Car-  
pathians, according to a telegram to  
the Tribune. Austria-German casu-  
alties there in the last two days, the  
dispatch says, number 20,000 men.

Italian Ambassadors Summoned.

Rome, April 27.—The Italian am-  
bassadors to Paris, London, Vienna  
and Berlin have been summoned to  
Rome to confer with Foreign Minis-  
ter Sonnino.

In Rome this action is regarded as  
an preliminary to announcement of a  
new and important decision on the  
part of the Italian government.

Cartwright Renominated.

Rockford, Ill., April 27.—James H.  
Cartwright was unanimously renom-  
inated for justice of the supreme court  
by the republican convention yester-  
day.

WALSH ANSWERS  
ROCKEFELLER JR.

Chairman Federal Industrial Commis-  
sion Says Truth is Irritating Oil  
King's Son.

Chicago, Ill., April 27.—Chairman  
Walsh of the federal commission on  
industrial relations today issued a  
statement in reply to the answer of  
John Rockefeller, Jr., to Walsh's com-  
ments accompanying the correspondence  
in the Colorado Fuel & Iron  
company case.

"I note," says the statement, "that  
Rockefeller, Jr., denounces me as a  
liar. The published letters which  
aroused his ire are all admitted by  
him to have been written and correct-  
ly quoted, as his voluminous news-  
paper assertion is in no sense a denial  
of anything given to the press by me.  
Rockefeller's anger and resentment  
obviously grew out of misconception  
of my duties. I am not appointed to  
'allay' or 'smooth the course of in-  
dustrial unrest, but to investigate  
them and make them manifest to the  
world."

DERNBURG CITES  
PRESS ATTITUDE

Criticism of Germany for Use of Gas  
Bombs Held to Be Proof of  
Unneutrality.

New York, April 27.—Dr. Bernhard  
Dernburg, former colonial secretary of  
the German empire, today issued a  
statement relating to the use of as-  
phyxiating gases by Germans in trench  
warfare. Dernburg said that when  
there was published last November  
reports of a French invention for the  
purpose of asphyxiating enemies by  
suspending gases, the ending of the  
war in favor of the allies was pre-  
dicted "with a great deal of satisfac-  
tion by the American press. But as  
soon as the Germans used the same  
kind of weapon around Ypres, denun-  
ciation of Germany for following the  
practice of her adversaries has been  
rampant and the most invective sort  
of epithets employed." This is cited  
as an illustration why German sym-  
pathizers in America consider the  
American press unfair and unneutral.

ORDERS RAILROADS  
TO CUT ORE RATES

Washington, D. C., April 27.—The  
existing rate of 69 cents per long ton  
on iron ore from mines in the Mesabi  
range, Minnesota, to vessels at two  
harbors and Duluth, Minn., and Al-  
bany, Wis., was pronounced un-  
reasonable today by the interstate com-  
merce commission and the Great  
Northern and other railroads ordered  
to establish a rate of not more than 55  
cents. The case is one of the most  
important decided by the commission  
in several months. The Great North-  
ern alone carried more than 12,000,000  
long tons of ore to docks from the Min-  
nesota mines in 1913.

## WIFE AND FATHER GET \$40,000

Fifty-Four Year Old Farmer Said He  
Would Never Face Court.

Aurora, Ill., April 27.—Luther Con-  
grave, 54 years old, an eccentric farm-  
er who killed himself by firing a bul-  
let into his brain, did not leave a will,  
and one-half of his \$40,000 estate will  
go to his 18-year-old widow, Edna Far-  
rington Congrave, who several weeks  
ago sued him for a divorce. Congrave  
left a farm of 120 acres near Naperville  
and two smaller farms near Au-  
rora. Half his estate goes to his 24-  
year-old father, James Congrave.

Worry over the divorce action start-  
ed by his young wife led Congrave to  
take his life. She started suit about  
five weeks ago, charging among other  
things that her husband was too old.  
The case was to have come up during  
the present term of the Kane county  
circuit court at Geneva. Several days  
before his death Congrave told Mrs.  
Mary A. Farrington, mother of his wife,  
that he would never go into the court  
room.

Congrave was married to the Far-  
rington girl in June, 1912. The girl  
was then 16 years old.

## \$100,000 to Knox College.

Galesburg, Ill., April 27.—President  
Thomas McClelland yesterday an-  
nounced a gift of \$100,000 to Knox col-  
lege from Ellen Browning Scripps of  
La Jolla, Cal. Miss Scripps was gradu-  
ated from Knox college in 1859. The  
college is trying to raise a half million  
endowment. A donation of \$100,000 by  
the general education board recently  
was announced.

## Sister of Mrs. Taft Wed.

Providence, R. I., April 27.—A mes-  
sage from Washington announced the  
marriage yesterday of Henry F. Lip-  
pitt, United States senator from this  
state, and Mrs. Thomas K. Laughlin,  
a sister of Mrs. William H. Taft. The  
ceremony, which was performed by  
Rev. Roland Cotton Smith, rector of  
St. John's Episcopal church, was at-  
tended only by a few relatives of the  
bride and bridegroom.

DEATH CLOSE  
FOR LEADERS  
TURKEY WAR

Clock Bomb Found in Office  
of Minister in Con-  
stantinople.

## OFFICIALS ARRESTED

Several Attaches of Depart-  
ment Suspected of Part  
in the Plot.

Paris, April 27.—A powerful clock  
work bomb was found hidden yester-  
day in the ministry of war in Con-  
stantinople, according to a Salonic  
dispatch. It was timed to explode at  
an hour when the council was in ses-  
sion. Meetings of this body are at-  
tended by Enver Pasha, minister of  
war; Field Marshal Von Der Goltz and  
General Von Sanders. Investigation is  
said to have disclosed that the bomb  
was placed in the room by a sweep  
who had come to clean the chimney,  
then disappeared. Several minor offi-  
cials connected with the ministry of  
war have been arrested on suspicion  
as being accomplices. The police be-  
lieve the plot was directed against  
young Turks and Germans.

## Tells of Scour for Gas Bombs.

Paris, April 27.—Wounded soldiers  
from the Yser speak with scorn of  
asphyxiating bombs used by the Ger-  
mans. "Their famous bombs kill no-  
body," said one of the wounded French-  
men. "They first put to sleep those  
who breathed the fumes. Then the  
Germans came up and killed the sleep-  
ers. Fortunately help came and we  
finished by smashing them."

## Swedish Steamer Sunk.

Stockholm, April 27.—The Swedish  
steamer Centric, 900 ton and 250 feet  
long, Stockholm to Helsingborg,  
Sweden, was sunk by a mine off Aland  
Islands. The crew was saved.

## The Grimy Trawler Recoils

has been blown up in the North sea. Some  
of the crew are missing.

Seven survivors, some terribly mu-  
tated, were picked up out of a crew of  
nine.NEAR MURDER RESULT  
OF AN ORGY AT VIOLA

Viola, April 27.—Richard Steen, 35  
years old, was seriously injured late  
Sunday afternoon at the home of  
Robert Mitchell, Civil war veteran  
and participant in the battle of Gettys-  
burg, when Mitchell deliberately stood  
up and aimed a 22 rifle at Steen,  
the bullet taking effect in the younger  
man's lung and missing his heart by a  
narrow margin of an inch and one-  
half.

The shooting was the outcome of a  
quarrel and occurred in Mitchell's  
home where both men had been drink-  
ing during the afternoon. Mitchell is  
50 years old. At first it was stated  
that the shooting was accidental but  
the matter was investigated by the  
Mercer county officers and as their  
result of their investigations Mitchell  
was taken to the county jail in Alamo.

Steen has a wife and eight children  
and Mitchell has no relatives in this  
vicinity as far as known.

Steen was taken to the Galesburg  
hospital. The hemorrhages which he  
suffered on his way to the hospital led  
to the belief that he had been mor-  
tally injured but unless aseptic pneu-  
monia sets in it is the opinion of his  
physician that he will recover. It will  
require a day or two before the danger  
from pneumonia will be over.

Steen has made no statement in  
explanation of the shooting.

BRIBERY CASES ARE  
TO BE DISPOSED OF

Detroit, Mich., April 27.—Circuit  
Judge Phelan today said he would  
grant a motion of Prosecuting Attor-  
ney Jaskowski of Wayne county that  
the cases against 11 members and  
former members of the Detroit city  
council indicted for bribery be dis-  
missed.

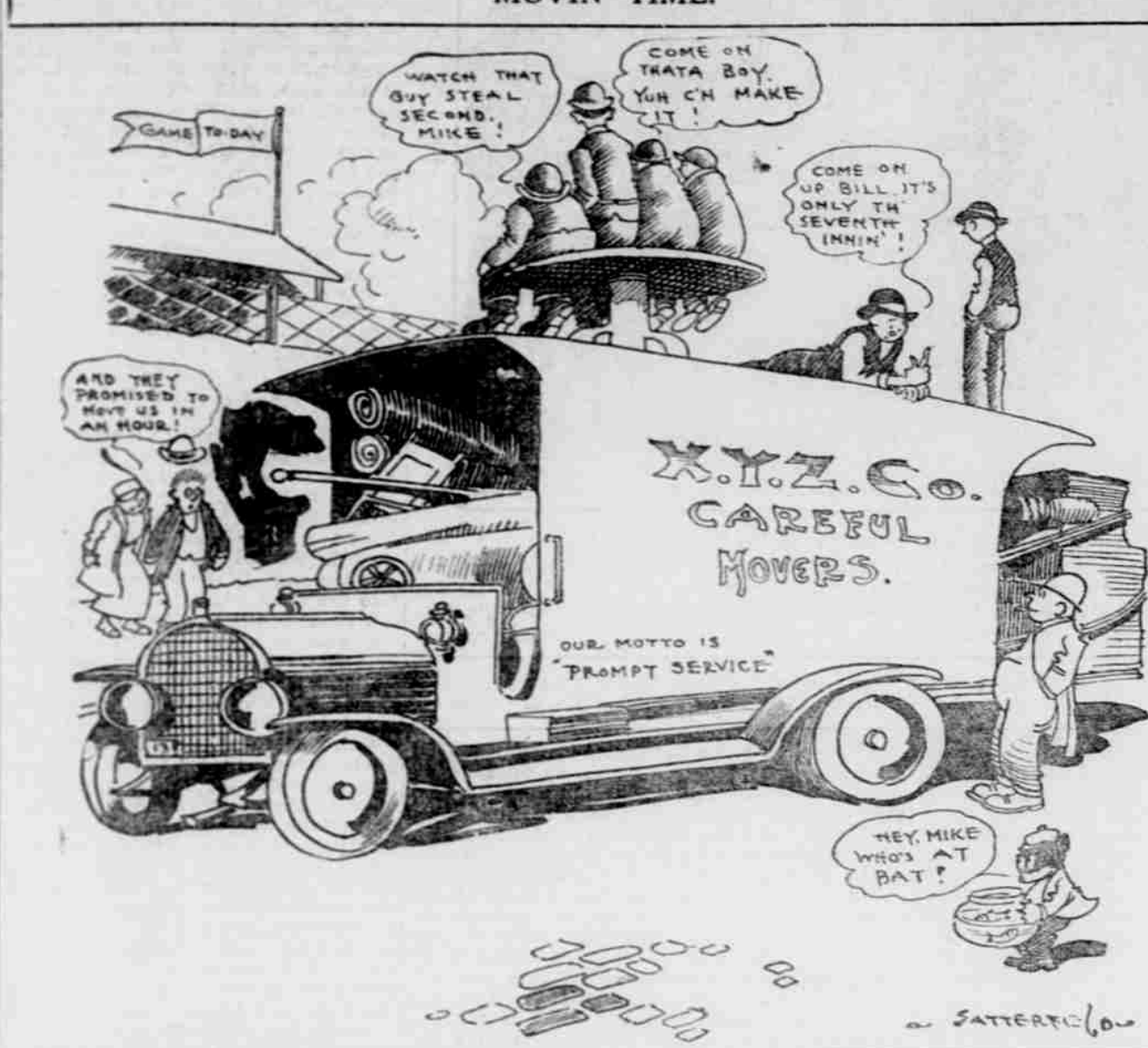
STEAMER NOORDAM  
GIVEN CLEARANCE

London, April 27.—The admiralty  
ordered today the release of the  
steamer Noordam and she proceeded  
on her way to Rotterdam. She has  
on board American women delegates  
to the international women's peace  
congress at The Hague.

## Zimmer Will Get Office.

Washington, D. C., April 27.—After  
a visit at the White house, Senator  
Lewis of Illinois announced that Michael  
Zimmer, former sheriff of Cook  
county, would be named postmaster  
at Chicago within the next few weeks.

## MOVIN' TIME.

STATE ASSEMBLY  
IS STORMED BY  
BIG LOBBY BAND

Supporters of Pending Bills  
Swoop Down on Legis-  
lature in Force.

Springfield, Ill., April 27.—Includ-  
ing Governor Dunne and Mayor  
Thompson of Chicago among its mem-  
bers, the largest and most prominent  
lobby which visited Springfield for  
the present legislative session today  
swooped down on the legislature to  
urge passage of labor legislation, the  
Frankhauser bill giving Chicago home  
rule in handling public utilities, and  
the bill abolishing capital punish-  
ment.

Mayor Thompson and his cabinet  
will appear before the house public  
utilities committee tonight in favor of  
the Chicago home rule bill.

Representatives of every branch of  
organized labor will begin a two days'  
convention late today. The object is  
to ask the legislature to stay in ses-  
sion until all labor bills before it are  
disposed of.

Addressing the house Governor  
Dunne cited the Ray Pfanschmidt case  
at Quincy as a "mighty good" reason  
why the death penalty should not be  
imposed for murder. Pfanschmidt,  
imposed for murder, Pfanschmidt,  
the governor said, was a young man  
accused of murdering three persons.  
"He was found guilty, but had enough  
money to appeal the case. He was  
granted a new trial and acquitted. At  
the third trial he was also acquitted.  
He was fortunate in having enough  
money to appeal the case. Had he  
been without funds he undoubtedly  
would have been hanged."

GIRL HIS SLAYER  
BY YOUTH'S RUSE

Fiancee of Wealthy Easterner Pulls  
Ribbon Attached to Revolver and  
He Is Killed.

New York, April 27.—Arthur Hearn  
Cowl, 22, who accomplished his own  
death by a singular expedient at  
Stratford, Conn., last night, was a son  
of Clarkson Cowl, president of the  
Central Mercantile association of this  
city. Under the will of his grand-  
father, George A. Hearn, who died in  
1913, leaving an estate of ten to fifteen  
million, young Cowl inherited a sub-  
stantial interest in the firm of James  
A. Hearn & Son, retail dry goods.  
Calling at the home of his fiancée, Miss  
Emily Wheeler, daughter of a banker,  
the young man directed the girl to  
pull the end of a ribbon attached to  
a revolver which he had concealed.  
When she did so the revolver dis-  
charged, inflicting a wound in Cowl's  
head from which he died early today.  
It is reported here Miss Wheeler had  
broken the engagement.

## Veteran Teacher Dead.

Rockford, Ill., April 27.—O. F. Bar-  
bour, 80 years old, teacher in the Rock-  
ford public schools 50 years and for-  
merly president of the Illinois Teach-  
ers' association, is dead.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for  
Rock Island, Davenport, Moline  
and Vicinity.

Generally fair tonight and Wednes-  
day, slightly cooler tonight.

Temperature at 7 a. m. 66. Highest  
yesterday 82. Lowest last night 64.

Velocity of wind at 7 a. m. 11 miles  
per hour.

Precipitation none.

Relative humidity at 7 p. m. 47, at  
7 a. m. 78, at 1 p. m. today 46.

Stage of water 8.8, a fall of .2 in  
last 24 hours.

J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

## ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Evening stars: Mars, Saturn. Morn-  
ing stars: Venus, Mercury, Jupiter.

The brilliant Sirius, Dog star, sets  
about 9:25 p. m. south-west.

LORIMER DENIED  
SEPARATE TRIAL

Court Holds Joint Procedure Will Not  
Prejudice Case of Chicago Bank  
President.

Chicago, Ill., April 27.—William Lor-  
imer, former United States senator  
and president of the defunct La Salle  
Street Trust and Savings bank, was de-  
nied a trial separate from his codef-  
endants indicted with him in connec-  
tion with the failure of the bank and  
its subsidiary institutions by Judge  
O'Connor yesterday.

"There were two points raised by  
counsel for the defense in the argu-  
ments on the motion," said the court.  
"The first was that Lorimer, if tried  
jointly, would not have the benefit of  
the testimony of his codefendants. The  
second was that the defendant would  
not be able to get a fair and impar-  
tial trial because his personal  
challenges would be limited to 10."

"As to the first point there is no  
doubt in the court's mind that even if  
Lorimer is tried jointly he would still  
have the benefit of the evidence of the  
other defendants. All of the evidence  
will be admissible as to all of the de-  
fendants under our supreme court de-  
cisions."

"As to the second point, it is discre-  
tionary with the court. A judge's rul-  
ing on that point is not subject to re-  
view unless a judge abuses his discre-  
tion. The state in this case gives each  
defendant 10 preemptory challenges,  
and the court can't see where any of  
the defendants would be deprived of  
any of their rights if tried jointly. The  
motion is denied."

Counsel for Lorimer had offered af-  
fidavits of officials by the bank declar-  
ing that the former senator knew lit-  
tle of the real financial operations be-  
ing carried on.

Motions for changes of venue filed by  
Charles B. Munday, senior vice presi-  
dent of the bank, and John K. Segrave,  
chief clerk in the state auditor's office,  
defendants, were allowed.

## Hot Spell to Break Saturday.

Washington, D. C., April 27.—Gener-  
ally fair weather throughout the coun-  
try except some thunderstorms and  
scattered showers is predicted by the  
weather bureau for the week begin-  
ning Wednesday. The hot spell in the  
eastern half of the country will be  
broken by Saturday or Sunday.

PLATT'S LETTERS  
TO COLONEL ARE  
READ TO JURORS

All Manner of Legislation Is  
Discussed by Roosevelt  
With New York Boss.

Syracuse, N. Y., April 27.—A tele-  
gram in which former United States  
Senator Platt urged Colonel Roosevelt  
to sign a bill exempting from the  
franchise tax bill grade crossings of  
steam railroads and said that "Our  
friends of the New York Central and  
Senator Depew were anxious," was  
read in court on this, the sixth day  
of the trial. In reply the colonel wrote  
Platt he received the telegram "too  
late." The messages were part of ad-  
ditional correspondence that passed  
between Roosevelt and Senator Platt  
presented in court today.

A series of private letters passing  
between Barnes and Roosevelt were  
introduced in the record. These cov-  
ered the period between 1904 and 1910.  
They will be read at this afternoon's  
session.

Reading of correspondence between  
Roosevelt and former Senator Platt  
in which the colonel freely discussed  
all manner of legislative, political and  
administrative affairs, was completed.

PASTORS ASSIGNED  
BY BISHOP BOWMAN

Naperville, Ill., April 27.—Bishop  
Thomas Bowman of Allentown, Pa.,  
closed the session of the Illinois con-  
ference of the Evangelical association  
here last evening by announcing the  
following assignment of ministers:

Freeport district—G. C. Gasser, pre-  
siding elder—Aetolkey, E. M. Diener;  
Ashton F. Theiss; Belvidere, J. Marth;  
Carroll to be supplied; Forreston, J.  
G. Feucht; Freeport, A. J. Boelter;  
Geneseo, A. J. Byas; Hoopole, W. H.  
Manshart; Malta, A. G. Vaubel; Men-  
doza, H. B. Shaeffer and H. E. Eber-  
hart; Meriden, H. E. Krug; Pearl City,  
I. L. Schweitzer; Perkins Grove, A.  
Good; Polo, Federated Sterling, J.  
Holtzman; Sublette, O. O. Lozier; Red  
Oak, H. E. Straub.

Naperville district—E. Burgi, pre-  
siding elder—Aurora, H. J. Osterland;  
Batavia, J. Beuler; Chicago, east  
side, E. E. Kessler; Chicago Heights, H.  
E. Kasch; Chicago, Harrison street,  
H. E. Powell; Downer's Grove, G. A.  
Manshart; Dwight, C. A. Koten; Grand  
Prairie, W. Albrecht; Hammond, W.  
Wilhelm; Joliet, Charles Reldt; Lock-  
port, W. Gross; Manhattan, to be sup-  
plied; Naperville, F. F. Jordan; Os-  
wego, W. H. Krueger; Peotone, J. B.  
Elfrink; Plainfield, E. G. Nuffer; Sheri-  
dan, to be supplied; Whiting, E. G.  
Fueselle.

Peoria district—H. J. Kiekhoefer,  
presiding elder—Chatsworth, S. W.  
Moehl; Grandville, A. J. Hemming;  
Graymont, M. Kesseling; Holland, W.  
E. Rilling; La Salle, J. A. Glese;  
Mason, E. E. Plapp; Ottawa, H. G.  
Feibert; Peoria, First church, H. W.  
Eugelter; Peoria, Grace, G. L. Schail-  
er; Ransom, A. Buente; Springfield, J.  
U. Brachoff; Sherrard, H. E. Schu-  
macher; Springfield, A. J. Bauerle;  
Streator, W. F. Klinebell; Richard, J.  
H. Blazie; Washington, Leo Schmidt.

Income Tax Up to the Estimate.

Washington, D. C., April 27.—Com-  
plete preliminary estimates from all  
internal revenue collection districts  
received at the treasury department  
indicate that the individual and cor-  
poration income tax this year will not  
only come up to the original esti-  
mates of \$80,000,000, but probably will  
exceed that sum. This is the most  
welcome bit of information that has  
come to the ears of treasury officials  
in many months.

GIRL AND BOY  
AGREE TO DIE;  
HE BACKS OUT

Daniel Hurley Claims Com-  
pact With Sweetheart,  
Katherine Roller.

## HE PURCHASES POISON

Motive Is Seen in the Break-  
ing of Their Engagement  
to Marry.

Lincoln, Ill., April 27.—After a night  
of solitary confinement Daniel Hur-  
ley, 19, charged with administering  
poison which caused the death Satur-  
day of Katherine Roller, 17, told the  
state's attorney they had made a sui-  
cide pact. He gave no reason why  
they had agreed to die and remained  
silent when asked why he did not  
keep his end of the bargain. Hurley  
said he had been engaged to Katherine  
nearly a year. From other sources  
it was learned the engagement had  
been broken off by the girl, whose par-  
ents objected.

The boy asserted he bought the  
poison at the request of Katherine,  
who telephoned him Saturday before  
he called to "be sure and bring the  
stuff," meaning strychnine. Hurley  
said when he learned it was poison he  
tore up the envelope containing the  
powder and threw it in the roadside.  
The envelope was found near a well  
at Broadwell. Hurley bought candy  
and sandwiches and gave the girl a  
cup of water in the evening. Ten  
minutes after leaving Broadwell in  
his buggy she became ill, he said.

Chicago, Ill., April 27.—Daniel Hur-  
ley was arrested in Lincoln, Ill., yes-  
terday on a charge of murdering Kath-  
erine Roller, 17 years old. The girl  
went into convulsions Saturday while  
riding in a buggy with Hurley. She  
died four hours later after he had  
hurried to her home with the uncon-  
scious girl.

Hurley admitted, the Lincoln police  
say, he purchased poison in Lincoln  
on Saturday, but after several evasive  
answers to questions the police say he  
declared he had bought the drug at  
the request of Miss Roller.

After State's Attorney C. F. Smith  
of Logan county had placed a formal  
charge of murder against Hurley the  
prisoner was held to the grand jury  
without bail. He contended all day,  
under a severe examination by county  
and city officers, that he did not cause  
the girl's death. Hurley is 19 years  
old.

Thought Plomaine Poisoning.

The girl was the daughter of Jacob  
Roller, a wealthy farmer of Broad-  
well. Hurley, the son of a retired  
farmer, worked as a hand on a farm  
adjoining the Roller place. The cou-  
ple had kept company for 18 months  
and Hurley was anxious to marry. The  
girl's mother favored the match but  
her father opposed it, and the girl is  
reported to have shown an inclination  
to yield to the latter's influence.

Shortly after 6 o'clock Saturday  
evening Hurley called on Miss Roller  
with a rig and prevailed upon her to  
accompany him. She was in the best  
of health then. On the outward jour-  
ney he stopped at a store and purchas-  
ed her candy. Upon the return trip he  
purchased her a sandwich and gave  
her a glass of water. Soon afterward  
she was seized with convulsions and  
he drove her home.

The attending physicians, Dr. G. G.  
Taylor of Elkhardt, Ill., and Dr. H. B.  
Brown of Lincoln, Ill., immediately  
suspected poison, but presumed it was  
plomaine poisoning from the candy  
until authorities found in the road  
that the couple had traversed an  
empty poison container and later dis-  
covered that Hurley had purchased  
poison on the representation that he  
wanted it for a sick horse.

The discovery of this supposed tel-  
late evidence, however, did not dis-  
countenance Hurley. He admitted  
making the purchase, and said the poi-  
son had been given to his brother's  
horse. He insisted that the trip was  
most enjoyable, and that he ate some  
of the same candy and sandwich.

Coroner Ryan brought to Coroner  
Hoffman's laboratory in Chicago the  
organs of the dead girl and requested  
chemical test.

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